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In re Patent Application of:

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For: ABSORBENT ARTICLE THAT  
CONTAINS AN ACTIVE ADDITIVE  
AND USE OF A VISUAL INDICATOR  
IN AN ABSORBENT ARTICLE

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The following references were cited on page 1 in the specification of the above-identified application:

WO 97/46188;

WO 97/46190;

WO 97/46192;

WO 97/46193;

WO 97/46195;

WO 97/46196;

SE 9804390-4, now Swedish patent 513261, a copy of the Swedish patent is enclosed;

SE 9804360-7, now Swedish patent 513375, a copy of the Swedish patent is enclosed;

U.S. Patent 4,583,980;

GB 1,317,156;

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SE 9703669-3, which corresponds to WO 99/17813, a copy of the WIPO document is enclosed;

SE 9502588-8, which corresponds to WO 97/02846, a copy of the WIPO document is enclosed;

WO 92/13577;

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SE 9801951-6, which corresponds to WO 99/45099, a copy of the WIPO document is enclosed; and

SE 9902207-1, which corresponds to WO 00/76558, a copy of the WIPO document is enclosed.


The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing and before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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	513375		Sweden	09-04-2000		X
	1317156		Great Britain	05-16-1973	X	
	257007		Europe	02-24-1988	X	

## NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Include name of author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.
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